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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY PROFESSIONALS–Legislative Committee
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A , second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED:	

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Todd Grande, Ph.D., LPCMH
Dr. William Northey, LMFT
Mary Caroselli, LMFT
Dr. Rosemary Madl-Young, LCDP
Nicole Luther, ATR-BC
Terri Willis, ATR-BC

OTHERS PRESENT

No others were present for the Legislative Committee meeting.

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General
Alison Warren, Administrative Specialist III

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Grande called the Committee meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Committee reviewed the minutes for the August 22, 2018 Legislative Committee meeting. Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Ms. Caroselli to approve the August minutes with the minor changes discussed. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Proposed Practice Protection Bill

The Committee reviewed and discussed the following changes:

Section 1 changes the law governing mental health counselors, marriage and family therapists, and art therapists to prevent persons from engaging in the practice of these professions in Delaware without first becoming licensed to do so and includes marriage and family therapists and art therapists in the title protection provision of this section.

Section 2 changes the law governing mental health counselors to prevent persons from engaging in the practice of mental health counseling in Delaware without first becoming licensed to do so; implements a grandparent clause for individuals currently training to become mental health counselors; corrects a technical error to comply with the Division of Professional Regulation's licensing system; and implements several exemptions to this practice protection for employees of certain institutions, religion-based counselors, students, other licensed professionals.

Section 3 changes the law governing marriage and family therapists to prevent persons from engaging in the practice of marriage and family therapy services in Delaware without first becoming licensed to do so; implements a grandparent clause for individuals currently training to become marriage and family therapists; corrects a technical error to comply with the Division of Professional Regulation's licensing system; and implements several exemptions to this practice protection for employees of certain institutions, religion-based counselors, students, other licensed professionals.

Section 4 changes the law governing art therapists to prevent persons from engaging in the practice of art therapy services in Delaware without first becoming licensed to do so; implements a grandparent clause for individuals currently training to become art therapists; corrects a technical error to comply with the Division of Professional Regulation's licensing system; and implements several exemptions to this practice protection for employees of certain institutions, religion-based counselors, students, other licensed professionals.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence for the Committee to review or discuss.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

There was no other business before the Committee for discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Ms. Luther, to adjourn the meeting. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alison Warren

Administrative Specialist III
Board of Mental Health and Chemical Dependency Professionals

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal notes and recall for presentations.